

# FLASHES FROM OLD WORLD

## MANY CAPITAL FOLKS NEUROPE

Mrs. William Draper and Miss Draper Spend Some Time in London.

## OTHERS ON CONTINENT

Mrs. Sharpless in Wiesbaden and Mr. and Mrs. Blair Visit Florence.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.  
London, June 7.—Mrs. Keith Donaldson is at 3 Park Place before going to Carlsbad, June 15.

Miss Offenbach, formerly of New York, is giving one of her first tea dances in London at the Carlton Hotel, June 10.

Robert Wintthrop, formerly secretary of the American Embassy at Rome, is expected from Paris next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Anthony, of New York, have decided to extend their stay at the Carlton Hotel until the end of the season.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Leisner have left the Ritz Hotel for Paris for the week-end.

Mrs. Zeldes Branch, daughter of James K. Branch, of Richmond, Va., will remain in London until July, under the chaperonage of her aunt, Mrs. Arthur Glasgow.

Mrs. Waldorf Astor, who will not take part in the season's gayeties, owing to ill health, is staying at her house, West Harrow, on the Kentish coast. Her doctors say there is nothing specifically wrong with her, but she is primarily suffering from overstrung nerves, the result of having overtaxed her strength, and has been ordered to take a complete rest.

## Pinna Party at Rome.

Lady Henry, nee Lewisohn, will entertain a large house party for the Ascot races. She is staying at her house, near the friends of Chancellor Lloyd-George, who will be one of her guests.

Judge and Mrs. W. H. Moore, of New York, are starting at Claridge's until after the Olympic games show, where the Judge is a most popular figure.

Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Horzon, of New York, are staying at Claridge's a couple of weeks before going to Paris and Switzerland.

Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Eastwick will spend the month of June in London, and then go to the Continent.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. H. Pitney, who have been touring Italy, are staying several weeks in town before going to Scotland.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Scribner recently arrived from New York. They go to Paris next week.

## Mrs. Draper in London.

Mrs. Charles Williamson Rand, with her daughter, who spent the winter in Rome, have arrived at Claridge's for the season.

Mr. and Mrs. George Pope and family are leaving shortly for Switzerland.

Mrs. Denning Jarvis, who lives at Dinard, has arrived in London for the season.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Duryea, who came from Paris for the Epiphany week, returned to the French capital today.

Eben D. Jordan, of Boston, spent several days in the country this week, but has returned to the Berkeley Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Guggenheim have arrived at the Ritz Hotel from Paris.

Rudolph Spreckels, who came from San Francisco, has gone on an automobile tour of the English country.

Mrs. Frank B. Wiborg, who has been staying at the Berkeley Hotel, has the duchess of Bedford as her guest.

Mrs. James Fargo and daughter also are registered at the Berkeley.

Mrs. W. R. Leeds has arrived for the season from Paris, also with William Draper and daughter, of Washington.

## MR. AND MRS. BLAIR VISIT ITALIAN RESORT

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.  
Florence, June 7.—The Countess of Montigny, who is one of the three beautiful daughters of Judge Hilton, of Albany, gave a tea in honor of Mr. O'Brien, wife of the American Ambassador, and Col. and Mrs. Dunn, military attaché of the American Embassy, who are here visiting Mr. and Mrs. Blair, of New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Blair, of Washington, are staying at the Anglo-American.

## STRING LEADS TO SLAYER.

Murderer of Boy Detected Through Purchase of Twine.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.  
Berlin, June 7.—As a result of quick and clever work on the part of Herr von Jagow's detective force, the murderer of Otto Klumme, the twelve-year-old schoolboy whose mutilated remains were found in two packages recently, was arrested a few days ago. He is a man servant named Ritt, employed at the home of a government architect in the Hohenzollern-strasse.

The clue which led to Ritt's detection was found in a shop where he purchased the twine and twine with which he wrapped up the remains of the victim. Ritt has made a full confession. He says he enticed the boy to the home of his employer, where he was taken, and then strangled him because the boy demanded 15 "hush money."

## MRS. H. F. SHARPLESS VISITOR IN WIESBADEN

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.  
Wiesbaden, June 7.—Allison V. Armour, who was a guest of the Kaiser at the recent Imperial wedding, is visiting her brother George at the Hotel Rose, George Armour, with his family, is making a prolonged sojourn here.

Other arrivals are Max Brilleman, of Albany; Dr. and Mrs. Hugo Lieber, and Mr. and Mrs. Loveman, of New York, and Mrs. H. F. Sharpless, of Washington.

## Belles at Coronation.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.  
Athens, June 7.—News has reached here that the monks of Mount Athos are considering the question of sending to Athens the Imperial robe and crown which belonged to the Byzantine Emperors John Tzimiskis and Nikephoros Phocas, to be used at the coronation of King Constantine. These historical relics are kept at the great monastery of Lavra. The robe is made of beaten gold, and weighs 36 pounds. The crown is encrusted with precious stones. This crown will probably become the crown of Greece.

## Flight by Blind Airman.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.  
Paris, June 7.—For the first time on record an aeroplane ascent was made at Chartres by a blind man, who took a trip as a passenger. The man, who is an organist, said on alighting that his impression during the flight was the same as if he had been on the sea.

## RUSSIA REFUSES PAY FOR SHIPS

Fines Lake Submarine Company More Than Cost of Two Submarines.

## APPEAL IS LIKELY HERE

Relations Between St. Petersburg and Washington Are in Such a Snarl Both Nations Are Bewildered.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

St. Petersburg, June 7.—Russians are getting bewildered as to what actually are the relations between their government and the United States. The group of American economists now touring Europe are described in today's Rouskoye Slovo as "delegates to Europe by Congress and the president of the United States for the study of the co-operative movement." They are being regarded as on an official mission, and their spokesman, Prof. M. P. Stubbs, at a reception in Moscow, said his country desired ardently the establishment of close friendship with Russia on a commercial and economic basis.

He declared life in America was in many ways more akin to that in Russia than to other European countries. Against this there are other messages from Russian industrial centers, such as Baku, which state that American importers have been informed that the Washington government will make no treaty with Russia until there is a satisfactory solution of the Jewish passport question. This Russia flatly refuses to do; hence there will be no American Ambassador in St. Petersburg.

## Diplomatic Friction Likely.

Diplomatic friction seems likely to lead to an appeal to the Hague Court in some outstanding dispute. The Russian navy department has refused to pay the Simon Lake Company for four submarines furnished on its order, on the ground of late delivery and departure from the specifications.

As an extreme act in preventing the Lake company from getting its money, the latter has been declared bankrupt in the courts here. Claims against it are based upon fines and penalties for infringing the laws. For instance, the Russian navy department urged Simon Lake to deliver two submarines in the delivery of two of the submarines ordered.

They were in consequence sent from the United States in sections to Lithuania, the chief Russian naval port in the Baltic, where they were put together, and the Russian government accepted them, knowing the circumstances.

## Heavy Fine Ordered.

The government here has now ordered a heavy fine against the Simon Lake Company for importing newly built ships to Russia. Under the Russian tariff, it is forbidden to import foreign-built ships. My such penalties the Russian government has mounted up a larger claim against the Lake company than the latter asked in payment for its contract work.

The case is to be put before the State Department in Washington, and it will be seen what retrench American citizens have against the Russian government in the absence of the usual treaty of commerce and amity, which is the basis of all international diplomatic settlements.

## FRENCH SHIPS IN WAR TEST.

Naval Maneuvers Will Try Men and Boats.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.  
Paris, June 7.—Admiral Bore de La-Peyrere, the commander-in-chief of the first French fleet, has declared that the coming naval maneuvers will form an exhaustive test both of the crews and of the material, and will afford much information on the maximum measure of work which can be performed both by the officers and crews.

The admirals will be allowed complete freedom of action, and if necessary the ships will be driven at the highest possible speed they are capable of developing their own initiative. Strict watch will be observed, and ships will navigate with lights out at night.

## MAKES SON-IN-LAW MOVE TO LONDON

Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt.

London, June 7.—It is pretty well understood here that the decision of Count Szechenyi and the countess to make their permanent home in England was due largely to the efforts of Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, mother of the countess.

The enormous losses the count has experienced of late on the stock exchange and in other speculations, which have cut a large slice off his wife's fortune, caused the Vanderbilts family to feel considerably alarmed. Mrs. Vanderbilt hastened to Budapest to be with her daughter during the shock which followed the news of the count's heavy reverses. It was whispered around in Budapest circles that there was stormy scenes between the count and his American mother-in-law, and that the latter would not leave Budapest until he had promised to take his family to England and set up a permanent home. Both the countess and her mother abominated the Hungarian capital, chiefly because it has been the scene of repeated disappointments, socially, for the young countess.

The Szechenyis are now established in their new home in Surrey and Mrs. Vanderbilt is visiting them.

## Celebration of Kaiser William's Ascendancy Will Last a Month



## TRIBUNAL FLAYS AMERICAN WOMAN

Rota Body Accuses Former Anna Gould of Mis-statements.

## BONI GETS ANNULMENT

Witness Declares Princess Wasn't Sure She Would Marry Nobleman Until Time of Ceremony.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

Rome, June 7.—That prelates who sit as judges in Catholic tribunals know none of the gallantries which characterize their lay brothers' attitude when dealing with women is clearly evidenced by the last decision of the Rota tribunal about the annulment of the religious marriage which up to a few days ago still united before God Anna Gould and Count Boni de Castellane. Although the former has for a long time been the legal wife of the Prince de Sagan, Count Boni is anxiously waiting to regain his freedom, in order to marry another woman.

In the course of the new decision, which is not only a confirmation of the judgment of a lack of chivalrous sentiments toward her, the press has taken up, and her defense, accusing the judges of a lack of chivalrous sentiments toward her.

The press points out that, while no lay judge would ever regard as a perjurer a woman who on the witness stand endeavored to conceal her true age, the prelates, who ought to know something about human nature, call a spade a spade, and are convinced of the decision, among other things, that Anna Gould made five misstatements.

According to the Rota, depositions of Prince John de Drago, and of Count Boni's brother prove conclusively that on March 14, 1905, a quarter of an hour before she was to appear before the late Archbishop Corrigan for the religious ceremony, Count Boni told her fiancée that she was still undecided whether or not to marry the count.

The latter's brother then appealed to Prince John de Drago, who also was a witness to the marriage, and to the prince, it is testified, Miss Gould said: "Yes, I will go before the archbishop, inasmuch as you say I cannot do otherwise; but I want to tell you that I am a Protestant and an American, while he is a Catholic and a Frenchman; that matrimony has not the same meaning for both of us; that I am determined to desert or divorce him whenever it will please me."

"Over you Catholics we Protestants have this advantage: We can remarry whenever we want to, and it is for this reason I do not want to convert myself to Catholicism."

To the young judge who tried the divorce case she stated that when she was married she was hardly fifteen years old; that during the first three years of her marriage she never for a moment thought of divorcing her husband or remarrying, and that all the members of her family were opposed to divorce.

The Rota judges find that the above statement is incorrect, beginning with the question of her age at the time of her marriage. It appears that Count Szechenyi has produced enough documents to prove that in 1905 she already was of age, and that in at least eighteen—and that other members of the Szechenyi family have been divorced.

At the same time the tribunal points out that Miss Gould's contradictory attitude on the question of her religious marriage continues. In fact, while she often said she was not a Catholic and repudiated her present husband to embrace the Protestant religion in order to marry according to the rules of the Episcopal Church, she appeals at the same time to the Church of Rome to prevent the count from ever regaining his full freedom.

## FORMER PRESIDENT'S WIFE IS IN PARIS

Mrs. William Howard Taft Lands in French Capital and Takes in the Shops.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.  
Paris, June 7.—One of the most distinguished shoppers in Paris stores today was Mrs. William H. Taft, who came over on board the Rotterdam.

On reaching Paris, the ex-President's wife drove from Gare du Nord to her hotel in a public taxicab, paid the right fare herself, and registered like any ordinary traveler.

DOG AS BEAST OF BURDEN.  
Cripple and Pet One of Sights of Paris.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.  
Paris, June 7.—One of the quaintest little spectacles of the streets of Paris is to see the cul-de-jatte (legless cripple) in the Palace de la Madeleine leave his post in the evening. Regularly at this time a large dog comes along the boulevard and runs up to the cripple, wagging his tail. The maimed man's body rests on a little, low platform, mounted on wheels.

The cul-de-jatte then takes a string and leather harness out of his pocket and passes it over the dog's head. "Go ahead, Bayard," he cries, and the dog tow him home along the crowded boulevard.

JOKE ENDS IN DEATH.  
Russian Officer Bayoneted by Austrian Sentry.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.  
Vienna, June 7.—A Russian officer was bayoneted by an Austrian sentry at Podolye, Galicia, recently, and received fatal injuries.

The officer, who was walking along the bridge, was carrying a bag which crossed the frontier, made a bet with two comrades that he would cross the bridge into Austrian territory, disarm the Austrian sentry guarding the entrance to the bridge, and carry him into Russian territory. The wager was accepted, and the officer crept across the bridge in the darkness.

When he attempted to seize the Austrian soldier's rifle the man wrenched it away and stabbed his assailant several times.

First Illness in 102 Years.  
Special Cable to The Washington Herald.  
Milan, June 7.—Rosa Ruffini, an old woman from Parma, walked into the Florence Hospital recently, saying that for the first time in her life "she felt really ill, having lost her usual hearty appetite. On inquiry into her case it was found that she had just celebrated her 102nd birthday."

## LONDON HAS GALA WEEK

Many Notable Society Events Within Last Seven Days.

## AMERICAN IS POPULAR

Hon. Mrs. Bingham Gives Party, at Which Tango Dances Are a Feature.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

London, June 7.—This has been the liveliest Derby week for many years. This event marks the height of the London season. What a week it has been! It has consisted of the King's birthday with its attendant official dinners and entertainments; the naval and military tournament; the Derby; the Oaks; the Verulamius race ball, which was the most brilliant affair of the season; the opera; Forbes-Robertson's farewell; dozens of society weddings, and dances and entertainments of all descriptions.

A most charming figure in many of these has been the Hon. Mrs. Cecil Bingham, a charming young American woman, who has won a most enviable position in British society. She was Miss Alice Carr, a famous Louisville beauty, until she became the wife of Samuel Moore Channing, of New York. After Mr. Channing's death she was married to the Hon. Cecil Bingham, of London.

## "Almost Surprise" Party.

Mrs. Bingham's "almost surprise" party was an immense success. She intends to give another small dance next month.

At her last party Mrs. Bingham herself showed her guests how to perform the very latest American dances, and, altogether, the function was on distinctly amusing and original lines.

Lady Iris Capell, debutante daughter of the Countess of Essex, now Adele Grant, was the belle of a party given at Sunderland House by the Duchess of Marlborough.

Mrs. John Astor, usually dressed in white, is once more going out in great style. She intends to resume her small but famous dinner parties next month.

The Duchess de Viseu, who was Miss Annie Stewart, is back again in town after a journey to the Continent, and goes out every day with her little daughter, who is considered one of the most beautiful children in London. The duchess's mother, Mrs. James Henry Smith, has let her house in Grosvenor Square to the American tobacco millionaire, James B. Duke.

The first American master of a British bridge, of Philadelphia, will take up a residence in the Cotswolds country in October.

Mrs. John W. Mackay is expected to give a concert in Carlton House Terrace next month.

## HER PLANS FOR SON'S WEDDING SMASHED

Critics Differ on "Julien."

Another noteworthy production of the week is Mouskoursky's opera, "Koukouzin," which was performed for the first time outside of Russia at the Theatre des Champs Elysees.

Paris is trying very hard, indeed, to admire the woman's opera, "Koukouzin," which was performed for the first time outside of Russia at the Theatre des Champs Elysees.

On Monday Dind's "Fervor" will be revived in the Paris Opera House under the composer's own direction.

## PRINCESS MARY FILLS PALACE WITH CATS

Strays of All Varieties Find Home in Buckingham, and the Queen Trips Over 'Em.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.  
London, June 7.—It became known today that Princess Mary's fondness for stray cats is giving much trouble at Buckingham Palace just now. She is very fond of animals and constantly is adding strays and abandoned cats to her collection, with the result that the palace threatens to become a feline paradise.

Since Princess Mary developed the penchant some grateful furred protégés must have spread the glad tidings for the influx of stray cats is now phenomenal, and the situation is critical. The Queen, after tripping several times in one day over mewing cats of various ages, ordered their deportation.

HUSBAND SHOT FOR PAPERS.  
Compromising Document Leads to Fatal Shooting.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.  
Berlin, June 7.—Frau Blume, a widow of twenty-one, has been sentenced to four years' imprisonment for fatally shooting her husband, a young scientist, in a wood at Posen.

The woman, who recently gave birth to a child, has confessed that she shot her husband in a moment of "temporary irresponsibility." She wished to regain possession of a document concerning her relations with a prominent doctor at Posen.

The jury found that there were extenuating circumstances, but it was expressed its disapproval of the lightness of the sentence by a riotous demonstration outside the court.

## PREMIERS DAUGHTER A JOINER

Young Danish Woman Has Romance in Carpenter Shop.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.  
Copenhagen, June 7.—Miss Anna Bernsten, the eighteen-year-old daughter of Mr. Klaus Bernsten, the Danish Premier, has found her romance in a carpenter's shop.

For four years Miss Bernsten has been working as a joiner's pupil. So skillful is she at her craft that she has obtained a license entitling her to set up as a joiner herself.

Some time ago she became secretly engaged to a young joiner in Jutland. She has told her father of the engagement and the premier has consented to let her marry her fiancé, the young couple intend to work together as joiners.

